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COMPANY MEETING.

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The twelfth yearly meeting of shareholders in the above Company was held at the Company's office, 8, George's Building, Hongkong, yesterday, the Chairman (Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar) presiding. There were also present: The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., and Mr. W. G. Darby (General Manager), Consulting Committee, A. O. Lang, A. Denison, H. W. Keenett, K. Sayce, O. Baptista, and A. H. M. da Silva.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—The report and accounts have been in your hands for some days, and, with your permission, we will take them, together with the auditor's certificate, as read. The net profit for last year did not fall far short of that for 1913, but I much regret that owing to the existing position of the Company we are not able to recommend the distribution of the same dividend. The accounts now before you do not give any indication of the effect which the war is having on the Company's business, as we were engaged up to the end of the year in completing contracts which had been made before hostilities broke out. I am sorry to say that now the Company's business is being seriously affected, and there does not seem to be much chance of any improvement as long as the war lasts.

Business in Borneo is extremely dull. High rates of freight and other difficulties are greatly restricting our trade to Europe and our local market here is very weak at present. The large balance we propose to carry forward will assist our financial position, and later on when normal times return it will be available for the purpose of dividend. The accounts appearing under the heading of sundry debtors and stocks and materials show considerable increase over the figures of the previous year. These increases are due to the effects of the war, and I do not think they need cause any uneasiness. There is no need for shareholders to take too gloomy a view of our prospects. It is true the position at present needs careful watching, but we are assured on all hands that we may look for a strong demand for all classes of timber as soon as peace is declared and we propose to continue our operations as usual, to cut and store timber in Borneo against the time when we have every reason to hope the Company's business will resume its normal course. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I shall be pleased to answer any questions.

There being no questions, the Chairman formally proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. SAYCE seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to.

Sir Paul Chater was re-elected a member of the Consulting Committee, on the proposition of Mr. LANG, seconded by Mr. BAPTISTA.

On the motion of Mr. SILVA, seconded by Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. C. Bernard Brown was re-elected auditor, at a remuneration of \$250 per annum.

The Chairman—That is all the business, gentlemen. I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready and can be had on application at the office to-morrow.

SUMMARY COURT.

CASES PENDING.

Among the cases in the list at the Summary Court yesterday were the following:—Mrs. Hickie against Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews (defendant), claim for \$440. This was adjourned for a week. G. W. Ellis against the Phranang Steamship Co., Ltd., for \$475.50; On Hing against G. Martini, of King's Buildings, for \$1,000. This was fixed for Monday week, at 10 a.m.

TURKISH BATH COMPANY'S DIFFICULTIES.

Five Japanese, formerly employed by the Turkish Bath Company, brought claims against S. Greenfield, Managing Director of the Hongkong Turkish Bath and Toilet Company, Ltd., for various sums amounting in all to about \$300, for wages alleged to be due.

Mr. R. C. Faithfull referred to the difficulties of the defendant Company, and said that as certain monies required for the discharge of liabilities were not forthcoming the business was sold under the hammer at public auction to three people. It was no doubt true that the unfortunate plaintiffs were due the money claimed, but they sued the wrong person. The Company owed the defendant \$5,000, and as the only means of compensating him they gave him that amount in shares, and appointed him Managing Director. The defendant took no part in the business whatever. The case was adjourned.

PRESENTATION TO POLICE INSPECTOR FENTON.

Police Inspector R. Fenton, of the Hongkong Police Force, was at the Police Club last night presented with a handsome gold watch, subscribed for by the members of the Force, on his retirement. Inspector Fenton was also presented with a pair of silver-mounted briar pipes in case and a silver tobacco box, prizes awarded him for winning the Bowls Championship of the Club in the current season.

The CAPTAIN-SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE (Hon. Mr. McIlvaine Messer), in making the presentations, said they met for the purpose of offering Inspector Fenton their best wishes for his happiness in retirement, and to present him with a token of their regard and esteem. Inspector Fenton was nearly the oldest policeman in Hongkong, but if they looked at him they would agree that he did not look old enough to retire. He (the Captain-Superintendent) had not been a policeman very long, and did not know as much about Inspector Fenton perhaps as some of his older colleagues, but one of the first things he noticed at the Central Station was that wherever the Inspector went two puffing brown cats came after him. (Laughter.) He had always noticed that Inspector Fenton was full of kindness to dumb creatures. He hoped that Inspector Fenton would not lose all that connection with the Police in his retirement at home, and that he would emulate the excellent example of his friend Inspector Dymond, and become a Special Constable. (Applause.) To show that he was still youthful, Inspector Fenton must needs win the Bowling Championship of the Club, and he had proved that even at the age of 52 one could still be an athlete.

Inspector Fenton feelingly replied, thanking the Police for the kindness they had shown him that day and the Captain-Superintendent for his kind remarks. Inspector Fenton was for six years in the Edinburgh Police before coming to Hongkong, and the experience gained there stood him in good stead when he came to this Colony. He has rendered valuable service to the Fire Brigade, and was a Fireman for ten years. He was most conscientious and scrupulously careful in the performance of his duties, and in private life enjoyed the respect and esteem of a large circle of friends.

A PLEA FOR ENGLAND.

GERMAN SOCIALIST PAPER'S STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Vorwaerts recently devoted a long article to a eulogistic review of a pamphlet published in Vienna by Dr. Georg Landauer, entitled "England: An Investigation." After alluding to the reaction against senseless sermons of hate, the Socialist organ writes:

"Against the unwritten allegations that British diplomacy desired a world war and had systematically worked for it, Dr. Landauer recalls that a whole series of crises threatening war which arose under the last three Ministers terminated peacefully owing to British efforts. Even Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg, as we know, in the last negotiations with Sir Edward Grey, referred to the friendly co-operation of the diplomats of both countries."

The Vorwaerts then quotes Dr. Landauer actually: "Everyone moderately acquainted with England," he says, "must admit that a hostile feeling among the English people towards the German right up to the last days before the outbreak of war cannot be said to have existed. The English people, indeed, at times feared an Anglo-German war but never desired it, least of all at the moment when it broke out, just when the fear of a German attack had diminished."

FOREIGN INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES IN JAPAN.

OPENING OF CANDLE-FACTORY AT YOKOHAMA.

On the 15th instant the Rising Sun Petroleum Co., Ltd. held the opening ceremony of the new candle factory which they have erected in the compound of their Hiratsuka installation. The guests invited consisted of their agents and chief buyers from towns as far distant as Otaru and Fusan.

The proceedings, says the Japan Gazette, commenced with the official opening ceremony, which was held in a building specially arranged for the purpose. Mr. A. E. Scott, the Managing Director of the Company, welcomed the guests, and said that formerly the people of Japan were supplied with candles of inferior quality owing to the habit of the local candle-makers of mixing the Company's high-grade wax with wax of a lower and inferior quality. The Company had ample supplies of the finest and highest grade of wax, and had erected the factory for the purpose of supplying the people of Japan with candles of the most superior quality of wax obtainable, manufactured at the most economical cost.

Mr. Ando, Mayor of Yokohama, congratulated the Company on the erection of the factory, and welcomed the industrial enterprise, which would add to the prosperity of the city of Yokohama.

Mr. Kano, Director of Customs, said that formerly the importation of foreign-made candles into Japan amounted to some 800,000 kin per annum, but that since the tariff was put into force the imports had fallen practically to nothing. He congratulated the Company on its intention of supplying only the finest quality of candles would work for the prosperity of Japan, because it would tend to popularize the use of paraffin wax candles and reduce the consumption of vegetable wax. By this means a larger proportion of the output of vegetable wax would be set free to be exported, and as this commodity when refined for export yields considerably higher profit than when used in its raw state in the manufacture of candles, the economic wealth of Japan would be further enhanced.

THE CALL TO WOMEN.

ENLIST IN THE INDUSTRIAL ARMY.

The call to women to enlist in the Industrial Army so that more men may be released for service in the field, is the topic of the hour among women at Home. How shall I enlist? What have I to do to register myself? What does it mean? are the questions put repeatedly.

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On this form "recruits" are invited to give particulars of their age and previous experience as workers. If they have not previously done paid work they are invited to suggest the kind of work for which they feel themselves best suited.

The wish is expressed officially that as far as possible women volunteering their services should register personally at the Labour Exchanges.

GERMANS IN ITALY.

A SIGNIFICANT REPORT.

A Nico despatch announces that it is stated there that all German subjects in the Italian Riviera have received notice from the authorities to leave Italian territory.

A Roman clerical organ, the *Corriere dell'Italia*, which has steadily opposed the idea of Italian intervention in the war, and has shown a distinctly pro-German bias, published on March 12th a leading article which has attracted wide attention:—"The moment [it writes] has now arrived for deciding the policy of Italy in one sense or the other. It cannot be doubted that, while a veritable transformation of the map of Europe is being prepared, it is not only the right but the duty of Italy to consider her own affairs, and to demand that her natural geographic and ethnographic frontiers should be reestablished for the defence of her territory; and that, on the other hand, the Mediterranean question shall not be solved in a manner detrimental to her interests as an essentially Mediterranean Power. Can these interests be safeguarded by peaceful diplomatic negotiation? We hope so, but we do not know; and we should have no hesitation in giving full and cordial approval to the action of the Government if, as it is stated, it is trying to realize Italian aspirations without bloodshed. But should the Government call the country to arms, our answer to the call would be in accordance with our equanimity, our firmness, and our whole-hearted conviction. We like the great majority of the Italian people, should simply do our duty."

ENEMY PRISONERS.

HOW THEY ARE TREATED BY GREAT BRITAIN.

An important White Paper, giving correspondence (during December) between Sir Edward Grey and the United States Ambassador on the treatment of German prisoners of war and interned civilians in the United Kingdom, was recently issued.

The correspondence arose out of inquiries made by the German Foreign Office of the United States Ambassador in Berlin as to how German prisoners were "paid, cared for, housed, and clothed."

Sir Edward Grey replies that officers, both military and naval, are given half the pay of the corresponding ranks of the British Army. Sir Edward Grey points out that if British officers in German hands receive full pay, the Government will do the same. But no information is at hand. Officers' quarters are "comfortably furnished, but without luxury." [The names of many of these quarters have already appeared in *The Daily Mail*.]

Interned civilians can select better accommodation and food than that provided, at their own expense. Those who do not are divided into social classes at the various camps.

The rations issued are free and are the same as to the prisoners of war. They consist of: Bread, 1lb. 8oz., or biscuits, 1lb. Meat, fresh or frozen, 8oz. or pressed, 4oz. Tea, 4oz., or coffee, 1oz. Salt, 4oz. Sugar, 2oz. Condensed milk, 1.20 tin (1lb.). Fresh vegetables, 8oz. Pepper, 1.20oz. 2oz. cheese, as an alternative for 1oz. butter or margarine. 2oz. of peas, beans, lentils, or rice. Canteens are provided for tobacco and other "small luxuries."

In each place of internment prisoners' committees organise amusements, intellectual or athletic. Philanthropic bodies help. In certain cases prisoners, soldiers and civilians, have made roads, built huts for themselves, and levelled and cleared ground. Civilians are only so employed if they volunteer, and are then paid at a similar rate to our own soldiers on such work.

All prisoners do their own cooking and generally look after their camps. Books are supplied, as is clothing to those in need of it. Several cases have occurred where aliens have gambled away garments given to them.

Any money above a small sum is banked with the camp commandant. Gifts are permitted subject to inspection. Two letters are allowed to be sent each week, after being censored.

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LOCAL SPORT.

HONGKONG TENNIS TOURNAMENT.
RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S SEMI-FINALS.

The following were the results of the games which were played yesterday.

Open Championship Singles—Green beat Remond, 6-0, 3-1, 6-0. Green will now meet Ng Sze Kwong in the final which has been fixed for Wednesday evening, play to commence at 5 p.m.

Handicap Singles, "B" class.—Dr. Koch (rec. 16/1), beat Miskin (owe 2/0), 6-4, 6-1. Dr. Koch will now meet Vivens in the final, the latter having to concede 2/6.

Handicap Singles, "A" class.—Crook (rec. 15/1), beat Nisbet (owe 30/2), 4-6, 7-5, 6-4.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.
EARLY MORNING COMPETITION.

Played over 9 holes Happy Valley from 25th March to 25th April:—

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Mr. S. H. Dodwell	39-3	36
Mr. C. C. Cunningham	45-7	38
Mr. R. O. Hutchinson	38 Ser.	38
H. E. Sir F. H. May	30-11	59
Mr. J. Clark	30 Ser.	30
Mr. G. H. Bowker	51-9	42
Mr. F. C. Hall	50-8	42
Mr. B. D. F. Beith	53-7	46
Mr. D. Landale	54-8	46

YACHTING.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The Commodore's Cup is to be sailed for to-day. Course: Lyman Beacon (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark Boat Club (P), Channel Rock (P). Distance 9.4 miles. Preparatory gun 1.25 p.m. Starting gun 1.30 p.m.

Handicap as follows:—

Name	Sees, per mile.	Scotch.
Is Linda	10	
Bella	15	
Colleen	40	
Kathleen	40	
Dorothea	50	
Ayesha	60	
Ailsa	120	
Bonita	120	
Daphne	120	
Allanah	120	

THE NEXT GYMKHANA.

The second Gymkhana is fixed for Saturday June 5th, when the following will be the programme:—

1. Handicap 3/4 mile for all ponies now in the Colony that have not won a race at Official Meetings. Off days, or Gymkhanas, since January 1st 1914, Polo Scours excepted.
2. Individual Tent-jugging. Ladies: Nomination.
3. Gymkhana Stakes one mile.
4. Polo Scour round a post.
5. Handicap from 2-mile Post for Subs. of any season (about 6 furlongs).
6. Mile Race, if possible.
7. 1/2 mile Handicap for all ponies.

PRINCE OF WALES' FUND.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST NO. 30.

Proceeds of Sir C. Blot's lecture at the City Hall, \$111.00	
Less hire of Hall and expenses	40.00
	70.25
Lodge Star of Southern China No. 2013, E. C. Canton, additional subscription per T. F. Hugh, D.G.M.	101.00
Mr. R. D. Harvey's Fund:—	
Collected by Mr. H. Murray Bain (March):—	
Mr. H. M. Bain	\$ 15.00
Mr. W. A. Donaldson	15.00
Mr. W. S. Batecock	5.00
Mr. W. F. Knapton	3.00
Mr. E. Sedgwick	5.00
Mr. G. Harper	5.00
	48.00
Collected by the Victoria Dispensary (April):—	
Mr. J. H. May	10.00
Mr. A. Kerr, steamer "Liangchoo"	4.00
Mr. A. P. Nobbs	5.00
Capt. E. S. Crowe	4.00
Capt. J. S. Levington	2.50
Mr. D. C. Wilson	5.00
Mr. E. W. L. Jones	5.00
Mr. Lewis Guy	5.00
Mr. F. W. Stapleton	5.00
Mr. J. R. Capell	5.00
Mr. F. Rapp	5.00
Mr. A. W. Gibbs	2.50
	58.00
	\$ 275.50
Already acknowledged Feb. 1/29, 240,432.14	
	\$240,708.94
Monthly subscriptions 836.00	
Already acknowledged Feb. 1/29, 39,046.33	
	\$ 39,822.33
	\$280,531.27
Remitted to London:—	
22/12/14 £17,000 at 1/9 5/10	
22/3/15 £7,000 at 1/9 5/10 and 1/10 268,175.61	
Balance in hand	\$ 12,416.68
By J. Strain, Hon. Treasurer.	
Hongkong, 29th April, 1915.	

"They must dance on coffee. I shall not grant the licence," said Mr. Fordham at West London recently in refusing an application for an occasional licence for a dance. Mr. Fordham added that the present was not the time for dancing.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

MINOR CASES.

AFFAIRS OF MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Re Maclewen, Frickel & Co. This was an application for the hearing of a petition. Mr. Shenton, representing creditor, said that an interim Receiver Order had already been made, and the Official Receiver had been appointed interim Receiver. He now asked for a full Receiver Order. An affidavit had been filed, and this showed that the liabilities amounted to about \$30,000 and the assets were placed at about \$3,000.

His Lordship—Is this an English firm? Mr. Shenton—Yes, my lord.

Mr. Goldring—One of the oldest in the Colony.

LIABILITIES \$100,000.

Re Sam Wo. This was an application for the hearing of the petition. Mr. Gardiner, appearing for Mr. Faithful, who represented the petitioning creditor, said that the assets were \$98,000, including \$24,000 of actual stock. There was also \$45,000 book debts. The whole would realise about 20 per cent. The liabilities were over \$100,000. As far as he (Mr. Gardiner) understood it, the debtor filed a petition and then absconded and unless a Receiver Order was made there would be no way of getting any money. A Receiver Order was made.

SMALL ASSETS.

Re Yu Sin Ting. This was an application for the hearing of the petition. Mr. Goldring, for Mr. Otto Kong Sing, representing debtor, explained that the debtor's affidavit showed liabilities amounting to \$47,000, and the assets were about \$2,100, some of which were realisable. The application was granted.

\$4,000 OUT.

Re Tai Cheung Wing. This was an application for the hearing of petition. Mr. Tozer, for the petitioning creditor, said that the assets were \$30,000 and liabilities were put at \$34,000. He asked for a formal Receiver Order to be made. Granted.

COMPOSITION.

Re Chan Sing. This was an application for approval of composition. The Official Receiver said that debtor had offered 2 1/2 per cent, and the creditors had unanimously accepted the scheme of composition, and he now submitted it for the Court's approval. It was approved.

QUESTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Re Ma Hang Chow. This was an application for a decision with regard to the partnership. The Official Receiver, said the object of such application was to call upon such persons as were set forth in the Official Receiver's report to give notice of their intention to dispute the statement that they were partners in the firm before the property was sold. His Lordship approved of the order submitted.

B. I. COMPANY.

EFFICIENCY OF THE TRANSPORT SERVICES.

The report of the British India Steam Navigation Company, Limited, states that the company's services were greatly disrupted in August and September of last year by withdrawal of a number of the steamers for Government service. After setting aside a sum for depreciation for the dividends which were paid on October 1, in terms of circular of May 27, viz, 2 1/2 per cent, on preference stock and 2 1/2 per cent, on ordinary shares, there is a balance of £15,619 carried forward. The mail services were maintained with regularity. Eighty-eight of the company's steamers with a tonnage approximating to 450,000 tons were chartered or commandeered by Government in connection with the war, and the several of these are still in service. The rates paid for the vessels chartered or commandeered by the Government are very low compared with the freights at present ruling in the market.

In the construction of the fleet the board have always had an eye to the possibility of the ships being required for troop purposes, and, though the rates of charter paid by Government are yielding a return much less than that which would be earned were the vessels employed in their ordinary work, the directors have the satisfaction of knowing that the steamers taken by the Government are being usefully engaged in a national emergency as armed couriers, hospital ships and transports. This satisfaction has been augmented by the acknowledgments which have been received from the naval and military officers and the Government as to the efficiency of the vessels and the loyalty, bravery and resource in emergency of the masters, officers and engineers. The services rendered by the company's agents and officials in fitting out and equipping the ships have also been cordially acknowledged by the Government.

At the present moment the company's fleet in commission consists of 137 steamers of a gross tonnage of 641,873 tons. The steamers contracted for are eleven, with a gross tonnage of 71,839 tons, which will bring the fleet up to 148 steamers, with a tonnage of 715,012 tons. Some of the older ships will be sold as soon as the present pressure is removed. The shareholders and preference stockholders agreed without exception to the terms of the amalgamation of the P. and O. and British India companies, and the transfers of their shares and stock have been completed and registered and P. and O. stocks allotted and issued in exchange, with a few exceptions where delay is unavoidable, owing to death and other causes.

THE AUSTRALIAN ANTHEM.

The following was recently adopted as the Australian National Anthem. The author is Mr. Arthur H. Adams, of Sydney, who won the £100 prize offered for an anthem. Another £100 was given for the composer of the most suitable music:—

Vast the heritage we hold,
League on endless league unrolled,
Splashed with sun and wattle-gold,
God's demesne, Australia!

Great our opportunity,
Greater trust our courage be:
For our race we hold in fee,
God's demesne, Australia!

Sons of those who won the sea,
Of Imperial blood are we;
Our's the country of the free—
God's demesne, Australia!

Freedom for our onward stride!
Wide our Continent, and wide
Are the faiths and hopes that guide
God's demesne, Australia!

Though begirt with guardian seas,
Not in careless, slothful ease,
Shall we guard thy liberties,
God's demesne, Australia!

Loyal sons of our race,
Ready chance and change to face,
We shall die but her disgrace
God's demesne, Australia!

THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. A. CHAPMAN, V.D.

10 P.M. GUN PRACTICE, 1ST MAY, 1915.

1.—The following details will be furnished by the Signalling Section:—

At firing point 2 Signallers.

1 flagman.

Range Party (A) 2 Signallers.

3 men.

Range Party (B) 2 Signallers.

6 men.

Two men from (A) and two men from (B) to report to—Sergeant Major Higby.

at 7.30 a.m., at Volunteer Headquarters.

The remainder of (A) and (B) parties will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 10.15 a.m. and report to—Lieut. Crowther Smith.

Waterbottles (filled) and haversacks to be carried. Sandwiches will be supplied at Headquarters.

The remainder of the Signalling Section will parade at Gun Club Hill, Kowloon, at 1 p.m.

Dress.—As detailed in Corps Order No. 1 of 29th April, 1915.

No. 1 and 2 Sections Artillery Battery and Left Section M.G. Co. will parade as stated in Corps Order No. 1 of 29th April, 1915.

LEAVE.

2.—The undermentioned are granted leave of absence as follows:—

Pte. H. Archie from 4th May, 1915, to 4th June, 1915.

Pte. K. M. Cumming from 30th April, 1915, to 30th October, 1915.

PARADES.

3.—Parades for Saturday, 1st May: Nil.

DETAILS.

4.—On duty from 7 a.m. to-day to 7 p.m. 7th May—50 N.C.Os. and men of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Sections, Scouts Company.

Officer on duty (and Orderly Officer)—Lieut. Weall.

Orderly Sergeant: Sergt. Hegarty.

Medical Orderly: Corpl. Davies.

To furnish guard at Headquarters:—

7 p.m. to-day to 7 a.m. 2nd May: Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Sections, Scouts Co.

7 a.m. to 7 p.m. 2nd May: No. 1 Sec., Artillery Battery and Left Sec., M.G. Co.

G. E. STEWART, Capt., Adjutant, H.K.V.C.

SPECIAL POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

PARADES (CENTRAL POLICE STATION).

Saturday, May 1st.—1st Chinese Company (except Platoon detailed for m.u.k.-ry), Drill without arms, 9 p.m. sharp. Crown Sergeant Hoyle will take the parade.

Monday, May 3rd.—N.C. Officers' Instruction Parade, 5.15 p.m.

Tuesday, May 4th.—Combined Parade of all Platoons on Garrison Parade Ground, opposite Murray Barracks. Fall in at 5.10 sharp. Drill without arms. This Parade will dismiss at 6 p.m. As this is the first occasion on which movements on an extensive parade ground has been possible, all ranks must attend unless leave is obtained.

Wednesday, May 5th.—1st Portuguese Company: Rifle Exercises, 5.30 p.m.

MUSKETRY (PEAK RANGE).

Saturday, May 1st.—No. 2 Platoon, 1st Chinese Company, 2.30 p.m. Inspector Mason will take charge.

Saturday, May 8th.—Thirty men to be detailed from Portuguese Company, 2.30 p.m.

A Musketry Meeting for the whole Police Reserve will be held at Kowloon on White Monday, May 24th (Empire Day), commencing at 9.30 a.m., and members are requested to keep that date free.

Inter-Platoon Competitions will be later arranged.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS.

For the convenience of members of the British Company who reside in Kowloon, it is proposed except in the case of Combined Parades or other Orders to the contrary, that they should perform their drills at the Water Police Station, Kowloon. Gentlemen wishing to fall in with this proposal will kindly communicate at once with Mr. A. H. Hewitt, Hok On Cement Works, Kowloon (Telephone K. 22), unless they have already done so.

(Sd.) F. C. JENKIN, A. S. P. (Reserve).

The success of the women's recruiting song, "Your King and Country Want You," has been such that over £5,000 had been given up to the end of January to the Queen's Work for Women Fund, being the profits and royalties of the song contributed by Mr. Paul A. Rubens.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth in their weekly share report, dated 30th April, state:—

The demand for local stocks continues, and a fair general business has been done, in many instances at improved rates, the tone of the market at the close being distinctly firm. Business has also been booked in "Oils," and for these there are further enquiries. Tin in London is quoted to-day at £105, and Rubber at 2 1/2 and 2 3/4 for Para and Plantation respectively. Bar Silver closes at 23 1/4, and Sterling T.T. at 1/10. The T.T. rate on Shanghai is unchanged at 78, and on Singapore at 77, the Bank's buying rate for 3d/s bills on Shanghai being 79 1/2.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai are still on offer at \$800, but sellers are disinclined to break the rate, and no business has been done.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have been booked at \$855 and \$867, closing with buyers at \$865. Cautions have been sold at \$880, and more shares are procurable at this figure. There are buyers in the North of North Chinas at Tls. 180 cum dividend, and Yangtses are probably obtainable in that market at \$220 with exchange 12.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong's have advanced to a buying rate of \$335 with no business to report. Business in Chinas has been booked at \$127 1/2 and \$130, and at the latter rate more shares are obtainable.

SHIPPING.—China and Manilas continue on offer at \$5 1/2, but at \$5 a few shares are in request. Douglas has been in active demand, and sales have been booked at from \$30 to \$42 cash, and \$42 to \$43 June, also at \$42 1/2 August. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats are in request at \$22 1/2 after sales at that figure and at \$23. Indo-Chinas are somewhat easier with sellers at \$20, and buyers at \$20 1/2. Star Ferries have been booked at \$35 and close steady.

OILS.—Shells have advanced to buyers from London at 94/-, the London selling rate being about 90/6 to 97/-.

Ural Caspians have been imported from London at 42/-, the local rate remaining at 43/6 nominal. Langkats continue firm and shares can be placed at Tls. 37 to Tls. 38.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have improved to \$116 cash with sales, and at this rate a few shares can be obtained. Business has also been done at \$117 1/2 June, and at \$121 1/2 August delivery. Luzons continue neglected at a selling quotation of \$83.

MINING.—Raubs have been booked at \$3.35, market closing with probable sellers. The output of gold for the past four weeks is 1,182 ounces as compared with 1,183 for the previous period. Kailans rule quiet at 34/-, and Tronohs weak with sellers at 32/6.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are in request at \$37, and Kowloon Wharves at \$35, but no business is reported. New Engineering are quoted at Tls. 3 buyers, and Shanghai Docks and Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves nominal at Tls. 53 and Tls. 65 respectively.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have declined to \$108, at which a small business has been transacted, closing with sellers. Central Estates are on offer at \$100, and Humphreys at \$7. There are buyers of Kowloon Lands at \$40, and of West Points at \$38 1/2 after sales of the latter at \$39. Hongkong Hotels are in request at \$112.

COTTON MILLS.—Hongkong's have been booked at \$7 to \$7.40, closing with sellers at the latter rate and buyers at \$7 1/2. Ewos have advanced to Tls. 142 with sales and equivalent rates for July to August delivery, and close firm. Lau Kung Mows close steady at Tls. 80, Kung Yiks at Tls. 13, Shanghai Cottons at Tls. 91 to Tls. 92 and Soy Chees neglected at Tls. 40.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements have improved to \$6 1/2 with sales and buyers, and Electrics to \$43. China Providents are wanted at \$7.90, Dairy Farms at \$34, Ropes at \$20 1/2, Low Level Trams at \$5.10, Peak Trams at \$10, and Watsons at \$6.35. There are sellers of China Borneos at \$11, China Lights at \$4 1/2, Steam Laundries at \$3 1/2, and Wm. Powells at \$8 1/2.

MEMO.—Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., ordinary annual meeting on the 10th May, transfer books closed from the 26th April to 10th May, inclusive. Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd. (Local Register), transfer books close from the 1st to 29th May, inclusive.

RUBBER COMPANIES.

THE LATEST DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends are announced in a London wire to the Penang Gazette dated April 29th:—

Sungei Kruit Rubber Co., Ltd., 8 per cent.

Seremban Rubber Co., Ltd., 6 per cent.

Hidden Streams Rubber Co., Ltd., 1 1/2 per cent.

Kuala Selangor Rubber Co., Ltd., 3 1/2 per cent (final).

Lunava (Ceylon) Tea and Rubber Estates 4 per cent (final).

Highlands and Lowlands Para Rubber Co., Ltd., 12 per cent (final).

ADMIRAL JELlicoe's PRAISE.

"JUST TO WAIT AND WATCH."

Lady Jellicoe, addressing a Women's Patriotic League meeting at Enlham, read a letter from Sir John Jellicoe in which he said:

"I am sure the men are just longing to get home even for a day of two, but they are setting an example of patience which is splendid. If they had the excitement of action the trial of their patience would not be so severe, but they are condemned just to wait and watch, and it is good to see how well they stick to their work. We do not get much comfort from the weather with high seas and wet decks, but this does not damp the spirit of our men any more than the damp trenches and shell-fire affect the spirit of those splendid soldiers of ours in Belgium."

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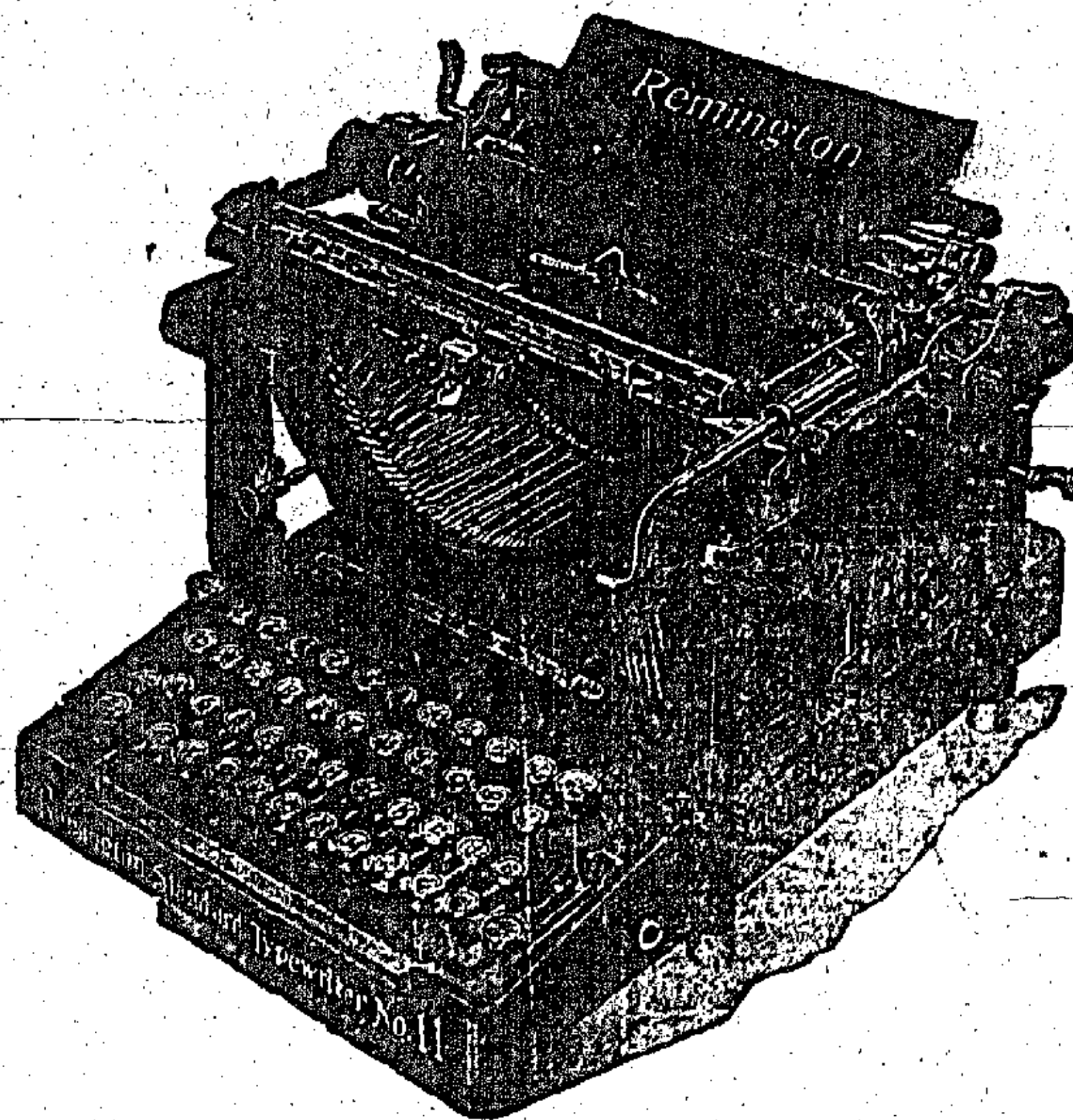
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

FROM this date Mr. O. I. ELLIS
Cases to Sign our Firm per
Procuration.
E. D. SASSOON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1915. [552]

TO LET.

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good situation on Peak.
Apply—
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Hongkong, 1st May, 1915. [553]



R. M. A. NOUD, DECEASED.

ALL MONEYS due to, and Claims against,
the above-named Estate should be sent
in to H. B. M. CONSUL-GENERAL, Canton,
before the 31st day of May, 1915.
CECIL KIRKE,
Acting Consul-General.
Canton, 30th April, 1915. [554]



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that
SEALED TENDERS in Duplicate
for LEASE OF PART OF OLD
SUPREME COURT BUILDING, will be
received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until
NOON of MONDAY, the 10th day of May, 1915,
for the Lease of Certain Rooms on the Ground
and First Floors of Old Supreme Court Building
from 15th May to 31st December, 1915, subject
to certain conditions which can be ascertained
at the Office of the Director of Public Works.
Each Tender must be accompanied by a receipt
to the effect that the Tenderer has deposited in
the Colonial Treasury a sum of Five Hundred
Dollars (\$500) as a pledge of the bond of the
Tenderer and comply with the above-mentioned
conditions should the Tender be accepted.
Form of Tender and further particulars can
be obtained from the Office of the Director of
Public Works.
The Government does not bind itself to accept
the highest or any Tender.
W. CHATHAM,
Director of Public Works.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1915. [555]

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMA-
TION CO., LTD.

UNTIL further Notice Mr. EDGAR
BRUCE SHEPHERD has been
appointed ACTING SECRETARY.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
MOWBRAY S. NOETHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1915. [550]

NOTICE.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of Members will be held in the Club
House, HARVEY VALLEY, on MONDAY, the
3rd May, 1915, at 5.30 P.M.
By Order,
K. M. CUMMING,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1915. [559]

HONGKONG CLUB

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the Members of the
HONGKONG CLUB will be held in the
Club House on MONDAY, 10th May, 1915,
at 5.15 P.M.
Business as set forth in the Notice posted in
the Hall of the Club.
By Order,
E. DES VCEUX,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1915. [549]

A Vendre aux enchères publiques deux
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tonnes de riz blanc par 24 heures.
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chaloire 33 jonques et 9 sampans dont la cession
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aux enchères.
La vente s'aura lieu que si les offres atteignent
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Les offres et les demandes de renseignements
sont reçues à l'Etude de Maître Gigon-Papin
notaire à Saigon (Cochinchine française).
(Code A. B. C. 5th édition).
Adresse Télégraphique GENDREAU Saigon.
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NOTICE.

ALL Persons applying to the PROVOST
MARSHAL for Passes are requested in
future to apply between the hours of 9 A.M. to
1 P.M. and 2 to 4 P.M. daily.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1915. [522]

WANTED.

AN ENGLISH NURSE to look after Two
Young Children.
Apply—
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Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1915. [547]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the Office of the Undersigned
on MONDAY, the 10th May, 1915, at
11.30 A.M.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 29th April, to the
10th May, 1915, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1915. [527]

HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
COLONIAL (Hongkong) REGISTER
of the Company will be Closed from SATUR-
DAY, 1st May, 1915, until SATURDAY, 29th
May, 1915, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1915. [542]

THE HONGKONG ICE CO., LTD.

APPLICATION has been made to the
General Managers to issue to CHOW
YAU KUM duplicate Certificate for 10 Shares
in the above Company upon the statement that
the Original Certificate
No. 3050/3059=10 Shares
HAS BEEN LOST.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if
within 30 days from date hereof no claim or
representation in respect of such Original
Certificate is made to the General Managers
they will proceed to deal with such application
for a duplicate.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1915. [546]

THE NEW AMOY DOCK COMPANY,
LIMITED.NOTICE OF ORDINARY AND
EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS in the NEW AMOY DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held in the
Office of the General Managers in Amoy on
SATURDAY, the 8th day of May, 1915, at
11.30 of the clock in the forenoon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the General
Managers together with a Statement of Accounts
to the 31st December, 1914, and for the election
of Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 24th April to 8th
May, 1915, both days inclusive, during which
period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.
AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
GIVEN that at the same place and on the
same day at 11.30 of the clock in the forenoon
or so soon afterwards as the ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING shall be concluded,
an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the NEW AMOY DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held, when
the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed as
Extraordinary Resolutions:—

- (1) To consider, and if thought fit, approve
the draft new Articles, copies of which will
be sent to shareholders before the Meeting.
And, in the event of the approval thereof,
with or without modifications;
 - (2) To consider, and if thought fit, to pass an
Extraordinary Resolution to the effect:—
"That the new Articles already approved
by this Meeting and for the purpose of
"identification subscribed by the Chair-
man thereof, be and the same are hereby
approved, and that such Regulations be
and they are hereby adopted as the
"Articles of the Company to the
"exclusion of, and in substitution for, all
"the existing Articles thereof."
- Should the above Resolutions be passed by
the required majority they will be submitted
for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a
Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be
subsequently convened.
Dated this 23rd April, 1915.
TAIT & Co.,
General Managers. [548]

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1915. [192]

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1915. [535]

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Kimberley Road, Kowloon.
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SPANISH DOMINICAN
PROCURATION.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1915. [501]

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A HOUSE at Observatory Villas, Kowloon.
Apply to—
ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.
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TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 84, Praya East.
Apply—
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NO. 2, STEWART TERRACE,
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HOUSES in CLIFTON GARDENS,
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OFFICES, facing the Harbour between the
Hongkong Club and Peel Office.
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GODOWNS, at Wandai Road.
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Hongkong, 1st April, 1915. [38]

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A FLAT in Humphrey's Buildings, Kowloon.
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6-Roomed House with Tennis Court.
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FOUR-ROOMED HOUSE in Humphrey's
Avenue, Gordon Terrace and Salisbury Avenue,
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Apply to—
HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE
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Hongkong, 20th April, 1915. [280]

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OFFICES in St. GEORGE'S BUILDING
Second Floor, Overlooking Harbour
immediate possession.
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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1914. [39]

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THE GROUND FLOOR of No. 6, DES
VCEUX ROAD CENTRAL, occupied
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DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1915. [272]

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IN ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS,
VERY CONVENIENT OFFICES
and ROOMS, including a Fine Commodious
Suite.
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SECRETARY,
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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1914. [36]

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"BISHOP'S LODGE SOUTH," No. 11,
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No. 25, BELLILLO TERRACE, with
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Hongkong, 29th April, 1915. [43]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 1ST, 1915.

UNITED STATES MERCANTILE
MARINE.

Though it has been reported that the
Pacific Mail Steamship Company have
resolved to discontinue their service to
the Orient in the Autumn, owing to the
difficulties attending the working of the
Company's business involved by the Sea-
men's Act recently passed by the United
States Congress, it is inconceivable that
the United States Government will con-
template this step with equanimity. The
Act of Congress provides *inter alia*:
"That no vessel of 100 tons and upward,
except those navigating rivers exclusively
and small inland lakes and except as pro-
vided for in Section 1, shall be permitted
to depart from any port of the United
States unless she has on board a crew not
less than 75 per cent. of which, in each
department thereof, are able to under-
stand any order given by the officers of
such vessels." It is stated that to put
white crews on all their ships would
cost the Pacific Mail Company \$603,707
extra in wages and \$198,638 extra in food
—a total additional expenditure of
\$802,345 per annum, and an advance of
about 175 per cent. on the present run-
ning expenses on these heads. The new
law comes into force on November 4th,
and as a matter of precaution the Pacific
Mail Company is not guaranteeing
freight space on its trans-Pacific vessels
from August onward, though it is
impossible to believe that the familiar
P.M. flag will not be seen in Eastern
ports after November 4th. The resolu-
tion adopted by the Pacific Mail Company
will forcibly bring to the notice of the
American public the fact that this Sea-
men's Bill, so far from having the effect
its promoters intended, *i.e.*, extending
the American mercantile marine, is
destined to have precisely the opposite
effect. At the time of the passing of the
Seamen's Bill by the House of Representa-
tives last August, the Washington cor-
respondent of the Times pointed out that

it would not only "violate international
obligations, but would handicap
American shipping. It would render the
purchase of foreign ships almost nega-
tory, as, in the interests of the Seamen's
Union, it places very severe restrictions
on the employment of foreign sailors."
The measure includes clauses entitling
seamen to receive half the wages due to
them within 48 hours of arrival at an
American port; abolishes arrest for deser-
tion; prohibits allotments of wages on
pain of refusal of clearance papers;
enacts that eventually 75 per cent. of the
crew of vessels calling at an American
port shall understand any order given;
and enacts that 65 per cent. of the deck
hands shall eventually be rated as able
seamen. Under the Bill as originally
framed, Great Britain and one or two
other countries not protected by treaties
stood to be severely hit. The Bill as
finally passed provides for the abrogation
of all treaties which may clash with it,
and for a period of 15 months for the
negotiation of new treaties. How in the
face of the evidence so readily available
as to the bearing of the clauses on the
operation of the existing steamship
services the United States Con-
gress could pass such a measure
with any hope that it would
extend the American mercantile marine
is incomprehensible. The measure seems
to us not only to legislate the Pacific Mail
Company's steamers out of existence but
all others trading between Oriental ports
and the ports of the United States. That
being so, it is highly improbable, we
should think, that the measure will be
allowed to come into operation next
November as it stands.

Mails for Europe via Siberia close
to-day at 11 a.m. and at 4 p.m.

Mr. C. W. C. Parr, Governor of British
North Borneo, is now on his way home.

The latest Roster of the United States
Asiatic Fleet shows that the Fleet
includes nine submarines.

The Rev. N. C. Pope will conduct a
service to-morrow at the British Church,
Macao, commencing at 5.30 p.m. Visitors
and residents are cordially invited.

By a printer's error in the Report of
the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., pub-
lished in our issue of yesterday the
balance carried forward was given as
\$2,200,687.69. The figures should have
been \$2,020,687.69.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice
Memorial and Affiliated Hospital begs to
acknowledge with thanks the following
donations to the funds of the
Hospitals:

J. D. Hutchison & Co. \$50
J. D. Hutchison & Co. (special) 45
Singapore merchants have been sending
gifts of canned pineapples to the Fleet.
The Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief
in acknowledging the receipt of 536 cases,
conveys to the generous donors the very
warm thanks of Admiral Sir John Jel-
licoe, the officers and men of the Grand
Fleet for their great kindness.

It will be of interest to many old
residents of Hongkong to recall that the
Viscount Chelsea, who succeeds to the title
of the late Earl Cadogan, married, in 1911,
Lillian Eleanor Marie, only daughter
of Mr. George Coxon, formerly of Hong-
kong, and now of Craigleigh, Chelten-
ham. They have a son and a daughter.
The former, now Viscount Chelsea, was
born in February, 1914.

Among the passengers leaving by the
Montagu this morning are Mr. Justice
Gompertz and Mrs. Gompertz (for Van-
couver), Mr. C. C. F. Cunningham and
Miss Cunningham, Mrs. Steadman and
daughter, Mrs. Andrew Forbes, Mrs.
Wenborn, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Sanders,
Mr. and Mrs. E. Jones, Mr. A. N. Kemp,
Mr. H. P. Thomas, Mr. R. H. Craik, Mr.
E. P. Lang and Mr. B. Tennant.

A number of members of the Volunteer
Reserves paraded outside the Law Courts
yesterday afternoon, for a passing out in-
spection. The Reserves, who were under
the command of Major Wakenan, were
put through firing exercises and Com-
pany drill by Lieut. Colonel. Hies
(C.R.A.), who was accompanied by Cap-
tain Riddell (Inspecting Officer of the
Volunteer Corps).

In connection with the Taikoo Rifle
Club, a vocal and instrumental concert
will be given at the Taikoo Club this even-
ing, commencing at 8.30. There will be a
presentation of the handsome shooting
trophies during an interval. Arrange-
ments have been made with the Tramway
Company for the convenience of the pub-
lic attending the function, and special
cars will leave for Hongkong at 11.15 p.m.

TERRITORIALS'
ENTERTAINMENT FUND.

Already acknowledged	\$335
Dane	50
Allegany	25
O. I. Ellis	10
A. S.	10
Total	\$420

This Fund is being raised for the pur-
pose of making the stay of the Shropshire
Light Infantry Territorials in our midst
as pleasant as possible. These men have
relinquished their civil employment in
order to take part in the defence of the
Empire, and it is felt that some apprecia-
tion of their patriotism should be shown
locally. The soldiers' rate of pay which
they draw while on active service does not
go far in the Colony, even without deduc-
tions, and many of the men, we under-
stand, have to send remittances home. Of
such opportunities for amusement which
Hongkong offers, therefore, they are un-
able to avail themselves. A committee is
being formed with the object of remedy-
ing this state of things, and in the mean-
time we shall be glad to receive any fur-
ther contributions which our readers may
desire to make to the Fund.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS,"]

Sir,—I have with pleasure to inform
you that the Proprietor of the Bijou
Theatre consents to the admission of the
Shropshire Light Infantry Territorials
to any of the performances for cents 20
per person—and all courtesy will be
shown to them.—I am, Yours faithfully,
D. S. LEVY,
Manager.

BANKRUPTCY PRACTICE.

MR. HIND AND A QUESTION OF
PROCEDURE.

An interesting point of procedure was
raised at the Bankruptcy Court yester-
day by Mr. W. B. Hind, when applica-
tion was made for the adjourned hearing
of the application for rescission in regard
to the bankruptcy of Li Pak.

Mr. Hind, when the case was called on,
said that he had a preliminary objection
to make on the question of procedure,
and it was one which affected similar
applications which the Official Receiver
was bringing and which had been brought
during the last few months. They had
had occasions where the Official Receiver
had applied under the section of the
Bankruptcy Ordinance, which read:
"The Court shall have power to rescind
the Receiver Order where it is consid-
ered it should not have been made." In
these cases during the past few months
it had been the practice of the Official
Receiver simply to file a report and then
to make an application to the Court in
an *ex parte* way. He thought his lord-
ship would agree with him that in any
such application where an individual was
concerned, such individual should be
given formal notice that the proceedings
were being taken. That was to say, a
proper summons ought to be issued in
the forms registered in the Court by the
Official Receiver, and it should be served
on the individual in the usual way.

At this point the Official Receiver said
that Mr. Hind was appearing both for
the debtor and a creditor, and that was
a point which he would have to raise.
Mr. Hind added that his submission
was that proper and formal notice should
be given to the debtor and to the credi-
tor before such an application by the
Official Receiver could be heard at all.
It was obviously improper procedure
to be carried through in that Court
without the individuals affected being
brought before the Court. The Official
Receiver was not entitled, he contended,
to get up before the Court and ask for
the annulment of an order made by the
Court. Any procedure taken by the
Official Receiver in this way should be
analogous to the procedure adopted in
reference to a person concerned in
Original Jurisdiction. Therefore, there
must be an *inter parte* summons, and
there must also be notice of motion.
In this particular case the report was
signed by the Deputy Official Receiver,
who was a person who was not recognis-
ed by the Ordinance. Such procedure
was not the usual thing in the English
Act, nor the rules made under the Eng-
lish Act.

The Official Receiver—It has been
claimed in this Court for the last twenty
years.
The Chief Justice—I suppose you will
say, Mr. Hind, that you are not con-
cerned with the observance of antiquated
procedure?
Mr. Hind replied that all that was
wanted was that the procedure adopted
should be formal and legal and thoroughly
proper. The report of the Official
Receiver, he also submitted, was not evi-
dence. The only evidence which could be
brought was evidence which was brought
in the usual and normal way.

A legal argument ensued, during which
his lordship remarked that he always
endeavoured to construe the English and
local law in conformity. If he was of
the opinion that Mr. Hind's point was good
he would take steps to have a local rule
passed. His lordship also pointed out
that a local rule had been passed which
gave the Deputy Official Receiver full
power, and thus Mr. Hind's point in this
respect failed.
The hearing of the application was
adjourned.

THE WAR.

SECOND BATTLE OF YPRES.

HOW THE GERMAN PLAN WAS FRUSTRATED.

RAPID PROGRESS AT DARDANELLES.

IMPORTANT TOWNS OCCUPIED.

ABORTIVE ZEPPELIN RAID ON ENGLISH COAST.

SIGNIFICANT ACTION BY ITALY.

THE NEAR EAST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DARDANELLES OPERATIONS.

LONDON, April 30th.

Telegrams from Athens state that the Allies successfully continued their operations yesterday at Suvla Bay, on the Aegean Sea, somewhat northward of the Narrows.

They captured a whole battalion of Turks.

INCESSANT FIGHTING.

3,000 PRISONERS TAKEN.

LONDON, April 30th.

The Times correspondent at Mytilene, in a message on the 29th inst., says that fighting has been incessant since four o'clock on Sunday morning. The British have captured 1,200 Turks and the French have taken 1,800.

TURKISH GARRISONS INTERCEPTED.

LONDON, April 30th.

It is stated that the British Force has established itself at the narrowest part of Gallipoli, and has intercepted the Turkish garrisons between Kilibah and Cape Helles.

WARSHIPS IN FRONT OF CHANAK.

The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Mytilene states that the Allies ships have reached Vryese, in front of the Chanak forts.

The Allies troops have occupied the towns of Madytos (? Maidos) and Gallipoli.

The Turkish and German prisoners have been sent to the islands of Lemnos and Tenedos.

BRITISH TAKE 8,000 TURKS ON PLAIN OF TROY.

LONDON, April 30th.

The Forces landed at Enos have advanced 20 miles, and occupied several villages. Eight thousand Turks were captured on the Plain of Troy.

BOMBARDMENT OF SMYRNA.

LONDON, April 30th.

Despatches from Athens says that three warships entered the Gulf of Smyrna on Tuesday and opened a bombardment.

REJOICINGS IN AUSTRALASIA.

LONDON, April 29th.

There have been great rejoicings in Australasia over the congratulations of the Imperial Government upon the gallantry and achievements of the Australians and New Zealanders at the Dardanelles.

There was a spontaneous demonstration in the grounds of Parliament House at Wellington, N.Z. Patriotic speeches were made by the Premier and the Mayor, and cheers were given for the King, "Our Boys," and for those of the other Dominions; and the National Anthem, "Rule Britannia" and "Tipperary" were sung.

MELBOURNE, April 30th.

There is now wonderful recruiting owing to the achievements of the Australians at the Dardanelles.

FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PROGRESS NORTHWARD OF THE YSER.

PARIS, April 29th.

To-day's communiqué says: The French, co-operating with the Belgians, continue to progress northward of the right bank of the Yser, taking prisoners, and two machine-guns.

The Germans bombed Epernay, which is exclusively occupied by ambulance and hospital units.

A Zeppelin bombed Dunkirk recently. It was badly hit by our artillery and was wrecked in the trees between Bruges and Ghent.

PARIS, April 30th.

The evening communiqué says: The day has been quiet. A German attack on the Belgians north of Ypres and another at Les Eparges on Wednesday night were easily repulsed.

FRENCH PROGRESS IN LORRAINE.

PARIS, April 30th.

An official announcement says the fighting in Lorraine since April 15th has resulted in a French advance of four kilometres on a front of twenty-five kilometres.

GREAT BATTLE AROUND ARRAS.

LONDON, April 29th.

Unofficial despatches from France state that a great battle has begun in the Arras district.

THE YPRES OFFENSIVE.

GERMANS UNABLE TO REINFORCE THEIR TROOPS.

LONDON, April 29th.

The damage done by Allied airmen to the railway junctions in Flanders have prevented the Germans from bringing up reinforcements in the region of Ypres, where the British and French are pressing their offensive, making many captures. A French paper states that 3,000 prisoners were taken in two days. The German counter-attacks were half-hearted.

TERRITORIALS' GALLANTRY. THEIR ASSAULT ON ST. JULIEN.

LONDON, April 29th.

The Canadians have been relieved, and are now resting. Though to the Canadians belongs most of the glory, correspondents point out that the British Territorials played a most gallant part in the battle. To many it was their baptism of fire and they all behaved like seasoned troops. After the Canadians had rushed the wood, the Territorials were brought up on Friday afternoon and assaulted St. Julien. They included the Yorks, the Kents, and the Gloucesters. They advanced for hours against machine-gun fire, and finally got home with the bayonet among the ruins, capturing many machine-guns.

THE SECOND BATTLE OF YPRES.

LONDON, April 30th.

The Eyewitness at Headquarters, in a communication dated April 27th, says the German offensive which resulted in the second battle of Ypres was not unexpected, since movements of troops and transports behind their front had been detected for some days. But the peculiarly novel nature of the attack was a surprise which was largely responsible for the measure of success achieved.

The attack was originally fixed for April 20th, but was postponed till the 22nd, when a steady north wind favoured the action of the asphyxiating vapour. Besides the gas apparatus the Germans employed asphyxiating grenades, bombs, and shells.

The enemy's determined offensive, though it menaced Ypres itself, has not had up-to-the-present the appearance of a great effort to pierce the line and capture the Channel ports as in October last.

The only result has been to inspire our troops to greater determination to make the enemy pay tenfold for every act of frightfulness committed.

THE GERMAN PLAN.

THRILLING STORY OF BRITISH GALLANTRY.

LONDON, April 30th.

The Eyewitness at Headquarters says that the German plan was to make a sudden onslaught south-westwards with the object of gaining a crossing over the Canal south of Bixchoote, getting well behind the British Left Wing, in a position to threaten Ypres. Some time after the gas had been released the Germans charged over the practically unresisting French Colonials, who were immediately affected by the gas, and pressed silently and swiftly south and west. They were able to overrun and surprise a large proportion of the French troops billeted behind the Front, and bring some French guns, and also ours, under a hot rifle fire at close range.

The withdrawal of the French Colonials and the sight of the wall of vapour following them was the first intimation to the British Left that all was not well, and as the flank was exposed the British were ordered to retire to St. Julien. Their splendid resistance saved the situation. Meanwhile the Germans hotly shelled various tactical points north of Ypres. Our reserves near Ypres had gathered in groups discussing the situation when suddenly a Staff Officer rode up and ordered them to stand to their arms. In a few minutes they were marching northwards to the scene of the fight.

IMPRESSIVE BRITISH DISCIPLINE.

Nothing more impressive could be imagined than the sight of the British falling in quietly and in perfect order amid the wild confusion caused by panic-stricken refugees, who were swarming the roads.

LEADERS' PRESENCE OF MIND.

In the meantime a confused fight was proceeding north and northeast of Ypres, giving evidence not merely of the gallantry and steadiness of the above troops but of the remarkable presence of mind of the leaders. Behind the wall of vapour came the Germans with their mouths and noses protected by pads soaked in bicarbonate of soda, like a huge mob rushing in a town. A battery of 4.7 inchers was surprised and overwhelmed in a moment. Several field batteries further to the rear were unable to come into action till the Germans were within a few hundred yards, but not a gun was lost. One battery, taken in the flank, swung round, and fired point blank and checked the enemy's rush. Another opened with the guns pointing almost in opposite directions. The enemy, being on three sides, was under the heaviest cannonade. The Germans now opened but the British infantry, threatened by the advance of vastly superior numbers, slowly retired without any sign of confusion to St. Julien, fighting every step of the way.

AT CLOSE QUARTERS.

Help was soon forthcoming, for the reserves, whose officers without waiting for orders, led them forward, attacked the Germans with the bayonet. A melee ensued, in which we more than held our own, both sides losing heavily. One German battalion especially was severely handled, and its Colonel is among our prisoners. Other reinforcements arrived in the night. The full fighting continued in the moonlight. We made repeated bayonet charges, and drove back the enemy and recovered the heavy guns.

The situation was now somewhat restored immediately north of Ypres, but the enemy farther west crossed the Canal, occupying Steenstraete and Hetsas. Crossing three-quarters of a mile to the south, he held several points on the west bank. We were shelled all night.

Two heavy German attacks at Broodseinde, east of Zonnebeke, at 1.30 in the morning were repulsed.

YPRES IN FLAMES.

Ypres was now in flames as the result of the intense bombardment on the early morning of the 23rd inst. With the co-operation of the French, we strongly counter-attacked. Entering the wood west of St. Julien, we attacked the Germans with the bayonet. We had to advance in the open, but the dash of the troops was splendid. The case of one man is typical of many. This man had his rifle smashed by a bullet, but he fought with an entrenching tool. The losses on both sides were severe.

We entrenched at 11 o'clock in the morning, when the German wedge had been removed to some extent, and the immediate danger was over.

Our progress at various points in the afternoon further straightened the line, despite the capture of Lizerno by the Germans.

GALLANT BRITISH RESISTANCE.

The Germans at 3 o'clock in the morning on the 24th inst., under cover of gas, re-attacked east of St. Julien, and also advanced to the west. Large masses about noon attacked St. Julien. The British retired, contesting every inch, and repeatedly counter-attacking, and a gallant handful of some two or three hundred held out in St. Julien till late at night. Our line was re-established at night 700 yards to the rear. Meanwhile there was persistent fighting along the Canal, the enemy forcing a crossing at Bocsinghe and strongly holding Hetsas, Steenstraete, and Lizerno.

We strongly counter-attacked at St. Julien in the morning of the 25th inst., and gained ground, but were checked in front of the village. The Germans in the afternoon made repeated assaults in great strength near Broodseinde, supported by a tremendous cannonade of asphyxiating bombs. All were repulsed with great slaughter to the enemy. We took 43 prisoners. The situation at nightfall was unchanged.

FURIOUS BRITISH ATTACKS.

Despatches from Rotterdam says that the fighting along the Canal continues most furiously. The British are attacking in constantly increasing strength. The British are also vigorously offensive in the La Bassee district, where they have never lost the initiative. Streams of dead and wounded are arriving in Belgium by rail and road.

BRITISH GENERAL REPORTED KILLED.

LONDON, April 30th.

Brigadier-General J. Hasler has been unofficially reported killed.

BRITISH GENERAL RESIGNS.

LONDON, April 29th.

Lieut-General Sir Edward Hutton, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., has resigned the command of the 21st Division of the New Army owing to ill-health.

AIRSHIP ACTIVITY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AIRCRAFT BOMB IPSWICH AND WHITTON.

Enemy aircraft dropped incendiary bombs at Ipswich and Whitton this morning. Three houses were burned. It is unknown whether there were any casualties. Aircraft also dropped bombs and set fire to three houses in Bury St. Edmunds. It is not known whether a Zeppelin or an aeroplane appeared over Ipswich. Of several bombs, one was incendiary, and fell through the roof of a house occupied by a family of three into a bedroom, in which was the twelve-year-old daughter of the tenant of the house.

The bomb struck a chest of drawers, which immediately burst into a mass of flames. The father rescued his child. The flames spread to the two adjoining houses, which were practically gutted.

The latest visit of the Zeppelins was the most abortive of all. It is not certain whether there were one or two airships. The only damage caused consisted of a few fires in Ipswich and Bury St. Edmunds. None were injured.

RUSSIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSIANS REPULSE DESPERATE ATTACKS.

PETROGRAD, April 30th.

An official announcement says that enemy attacks west and north of the Niemen, north of Suwalki, north of Prasnys, near the Uzok Pass and in the direction of Struy, where the attacks were repeated and desperate, have been repulsed.

THE TSAR.

PETROGRAD, April 30th.

The Tsar has arrived at Odessa. It was recently reported that there was a large concentration of Russian troops at Odessa, awaiting the opportunity of taking part in the operations against Constantinople.

GENERAL.

ITALY'S ATTITUDE.

GOVERNMENT REQUISITIONS ALL PETROL.

ROME, April 30th.

The Government has requisitioned all the petrol in the country. This action is gravely significant, and the critical nature of the event is admitted by leading neutralists.

THE DRINK QUESTION.

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSALS.

LONDON, April 29th.

In the House of Commons, the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Mr. Lloyd George) introduced proposals dealing with the question of Drink.

He proposed that the spirit duty be doubled; that on light beers to remain unchanged; a graduated surtax to 38/- per barrel on heavy brews; the wine duties to be quadrupled, sparkling wines to pay 15/- per gallon.

It was expected that the beer and wine surtaxes will yield £3,000,000 extra.

The Government, the Chancellor said, must also have complete control over certain areas. They must be able to close any public-house which is considered to be injurious; they must be able to suspend the sale of spirits and heavy beers in those areas; and also to utilize public-houses to sell food.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer emphasized that the Government's drink proposals were necessary to ensure, not ultimate victory, but victory soon and without unnecessary loss of life. Vast quantities of war materials were needed, because the time was coming when the Allies' attack would be of a more sustained character than had hitherto been witnessed, and the expenditure of munitions would be on an unprecedented scale, even in this war.

Mr. Lloyd George affirmed that the time lost by drinking was equivalent to the services of 150,000 men, but he did not think he would be justified in proposing a total prohibition until other remedies had failed.

CAMPAIGN IN GERMAN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA.

CAPETOWN, April 29th.

The Union Forces have occupied Dabers, south-east of Gibeon, capturing a quantity of live stock and transport.

OPERATIONS IN EAST AFRICA.

NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

LONDON, April 29th.

Brigadier-General M. L. Tighe, of the Indian Army, has been appointed to command the troops in East Africa.

TELEGRAPH CODES.

IMPOSSIBLE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER IN USE.

LONDON, April 29th.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Jeyson Hicks strongly urged the Government to allow more codes, especially for communicating with the Dominions and India. The present limitation, he said, was crippling trade.

The Government replied that it was impossible at present to consider increasing the number of codes, the protection of the realm being the paramount consideration.

BRITISH CASUALTIES.

LONDON, April 29th.

The latest casualty list contains the following names:
Killed: A. E. Anderson (Campanians), C. E. W. Bland, J. R. Caird, W. A. R. Carter, A. MacLuff, R. R. McIntosh, A. T. MacIver, R. W. Stirling, N. M. Young.
Died of Wounds: H. Crispin, A. S. Henderson, G. Kirk (Lancasters), E. S. Bamford, E. Stratford.
Wounded: R. E. Barnsley, E. H. Baxter, W. N. Briggs, A. C. Campbell (Borderers), H. F. Campbell, A. Dobie, E. M. Evans, G. Hilton (Borderers), W. Holdsworth, Second Lieut. S. Jewers (Lancasters), E. Keatinge, T. Kesby, R. Lord (Northumberland Fusiliers), A. B. Muirhead, B. Neame, R. Raphael, J. E. Richardson, J. Rubin, G. W. Sharp, C. V. Simpson, Second Lieut. G. Sweet (Northumberland Fusiliers), V. Wardle, D. Wilkins, J. Chamberlain (South Wales Borders).
Believed to have been killed: R. M. Harvey.

THE CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

LONDON, April 30th.

To-day's list gives seven Canadian officers killed and 33 wounded.

GERMANY'S SO-CALLED "BLOCKADE."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ANOTHER LEAN WEEK.

LONDON, April 30th.

The Admiralty announce that one merchantman was torpedoed by a German submarine, and four fishing-vessels were sunk or captured out of 1,441 vessels which arrived at or sailed from ports of the United Kingdom, during the week ended April 28th.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, April 30th.

A Memorial Service for the Canadians who have died on the battlefield has been held in the Parliament grounds. The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and all the authorities were present. 3,000 troops for Overseas service paraded, and there was an immense concourse of people. The Presbyterian Moderator preached a most impressive sermon.

DEATH SENTENCE ON A BRITISH PRISONER.

AWAITS KAISER'S RATIFICATION.

AMSTERDAM, April 29th.

The death sentence on Private Lonsdale has been confirmed and awaits ratification by the Kaiser.

NYASSALAND RAILWAY PROJECTS.

LONDON, April 29th.

Mr. Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has announced that no substantial loan towards the cost of extending the railway to Lake Nyassa could be expected at the present time, but he hoped that a survey would be undertaken towards the end of the year.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

[FROM THE "CHUNG NGUI SAN FO"]

THE JAPANESE DEMANDS.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION.

PEKING, April 30th.

President Yuan Shih-kai called a Council of State to consider Japan's demands and it was decided to refuse all that affect the territorial integrity of China.

[FROM THE MANILA "CABLENEWS"]

THE TEXAS FLOOD BELT.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, April 29th.

The rains are continuing in the inundated area and the lowlands of the State are entirely flooded. Scores of persons are missing and it is feared that there has been an enormous loss of life.

U.S. WAR REVENUE LAW.

WASHINGTON, April 24th.

Three suits have been brought in the United States District Court in Chicago to test the constitutionality of the new war revenue law which was enacted at the last session of Congress.

14-INCH GUNS FOR CORREGIDOR.

NEW YORK, April 29th.

Fourteen-inch guns which are to be used at Corregidor were tested at the Sandy Hook proving grounds yesterday in the presence of Secretary of War Garrison, and Brigadier General Hugh L. Scott, Chief of Staff.

The big weapons were given a thorough trial at different ranges and stood the test most satisfactorily. They will be shipped immediately to Manila.

THE HOWITT-PHILLIPS CO.

It was very public spirited of the Howitt-Phillips Company to devote half the proceeds of their final appearance of their present season in Hongkong to the Tobacco and Cigarette Fund for the troops at the Front, and it was gratifying to find there was such a large audience, which resulted in a sum of being realised for the Fund. Among those present was H. E. Major-General E. H. Kelly, C. B.

The principal attraction was "Der T. A. (The Day), Barrie's new playlet, which had attracted much attention at home. It depicted the struggles of the Kaiser, to subdue the promptings of his conscience when he is pressed by his advisers to make war on his neighbours, and the final sacrifice of his honour to his ambition. There is a very telling passage when the Spirit of Culture appears to him in a dream and declares that although she had always reigned in Germany her Empire knows no national boundaries. In short, the play is a presentation of the Allies' case in the present war, but it ranks higher as a literary composition than as a stage drama.

The role of the Kaiser was undertaken by Mr. Charles Howitt, while Miss Godart delivered her mind as "Culture" with feeling and impressiveness.

The other item on the programme was "David Garrick," which is too well-known to need description. In this the principal character was again sustained by Mr. Charles Howitt, while Miss Godart took the part of Ada Ingot, daughter of a City magnate, who looks with old-fashioned disdain upon play-actors.

At the close of entertainment Mr. Charles Howitt returned thanks for the support which had been accorded to his Company during their visit to Hongkong and said that they looked forward with pleasurable anticipation to the return visit on their way back from the North.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

Enroll, British str., 2,892, L. Janies, 29th April—Kuchinozu 24th April—Doddwell & Co.
 Fukui Maru, Japanese str., 3,899, H. Chelaki, 30th April—Mojito 23rd April, Coal—Mitsui Yusen Kaisha.
 Haimon, British str., 641, A. H. Stewart, 30th April—Swatow 29th April, Douglas Lapraik & Co.
 Kanagawa Maru, Japanese str., 3,687, K. Higo, 29th April—Bombay 23rd April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
 Kwangshai, Chinese str., from Canton.
 Moan Maru, Japanese str., 2,295, S. Kuchiki, 30th April—Mojito 24th April, Coal—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
 Phranang, British str., 1,022, H. Plashman, 29th April—Bangkok 22nd April, Rice—Chinese.
 Shaohsing, British str., from Canton.
 Tean, British str., 1,302, Mills, 30th April—Manila 27th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
 Taiyo Maru, Japanese str., 1,630, T. Furumoto, 30th April—Dairen 23rd April, General and Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
 Vang, Norwegian str., 873, J. Jensen, 30th April—Kinchin 23rd April, Rice and General—Chinese.
 Weschow, British str., 549, P. R. Purslow, 29th April—Pakhoi 28th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 30th April.
 Bolton Castle, Brit. str., for Singapore.
 Chusan, British str., for Singapore.
 Euphrates, British str., for Balak Papan.
 Kanagawa Maru, Jap. str., for Kobe.
 Matsuyama, British str., for Sandakan.
 Tithonus, Dutch str., for Milke.

DEPARTURES.

30th April.
 Ceylon Maru, Japanese str., for Bombay.
 Haiching, British str., for Swatow.
 Java Maru, Japanese str., for Bombay.
 Kanchow, British str., for Canton.
 Kwangshai, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
 Per Phranang, from Bangkok, for Hongkong, Mr. Reid.
 Per Weschow, from Peking, for Hongkong, Mr. Moorhouse and Mr. Bechir.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The str. *Glenlogan* from London is due here on or about Wednesday, the 5th May.
 The str. *China* arrived at San Francisco on April 27th.
 The str. *Peria* will sail from Yokohama on Friday, April 30th, via Manila for Hongkong. The mails have been transferred to the str. *Awa Maru* of the N.Y.K. line, due to arrive at Hongkong May 9th.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

The E. and A. str. *Aldenhorn* from Sydney left Manila for this port on 28th inst. at 9 a.m., and is expected to arrive today, at noon.
 The E. and A. str. *St. Albans* left Sydney for this port (via Queensland Ports and Manila) on the 21st inst., and may be expected to arrive on or about 14th May.

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Yatsing, from Singapore, is due Hongkong 1st May.
Namsang, from Calcutta, is due Hongkong 4th May.

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Monmouthshire, from London, is due in Hongkong 19th May.
Merionethshire, from London, is due in Hongkong 30th May.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 30th at 10.45 a.m.—The depression has moved to the N. of Hokkaido, where a sharp decrease of pressure has occurred. Pressure has increased moderately to considerably over the rest of Japan and decreased slightly over the remainder of the area.

The anti-cyclone, which is of very moderate intensity, has moved eastward to the Yellow Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DISTRICT.	FORECAST.
Hongkong & Neighbourhood	East winds, moderate to light; fair, some fog.
Formosa Channel	North winds, moderate.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamooka	The same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 1st to 7th May.

HIGH WATER					LOW WATER				
Day of Week	Day of Month	H'k'ong		Height	H'k'ong				
		M'eng Time	Time		M'eng Time	Time			
Satur.	1	h. m.		ft. in.	h. m.				
		9	19	4	3	21			
		11	30	4	7	4			
Sun.	2	m	10	0	m	5			
						30			
Mon.	3	m	0	42	4	3			
						15			
		m	10	45	7	6			
						41			
Tues.	4	m	2	0	4	3			
						48			
		m	11	35	7	0			
						43			
Wed.	5	m	3	40	4	2			
						5			
		m	0	35	8	7			
						14			
Thurs.	6	No	infer	high	nor	low			
		2	23	6	2	10			
						21			
Fri.	7	m	6	0	m	9			
			3	38	5	8			
						11			

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "1," nearest Hongkong "2," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "3," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "4," together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	TYPE	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	NARDINIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. T. Jeffery	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 7th inst. at Noon.
LONDON & SINGAPORE VIA PENANG, COLOMBO, & SUEZ	NELORE	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. Gaunt, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 12th inst.
LONDON	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. LD.	On 5th June.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	EREST SIMONS	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-day, at 6 p.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & LIVERPOOL	KALOSH	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 10th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & SINGAPORE	MITAZAKI MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 13th inst. at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SINGAPORE VIA KEELUNG, & SUEZ	SADO MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 4th inst. at 4 p.m.
BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	SHATTAH MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 14th inst. at 3 p.m.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	INVERIGO	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	About 4th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, & SUEZ	MONGOLIA	Am. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 19th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, & SUEZ	SHINYO MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 5th inst. at 1 p.m.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA MANILA & JAPAN, & SUEZ	NIFFON MARU	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 11th inst. at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, & SUEZ	SHITO MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 13th inst. at Noon.
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILE PORTS VIA JAPAN	TATYAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 13th July, at 10.30 a.m.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	BARTEN	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-day.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	HITACHI MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 12th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	SCRAT	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 5th inst.
DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN, EAST LONDON, & SUEZ	YATSHING	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 15th inst. at 10 a.m.
Kobe & MOJI	TANGA MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-morrow, at Daylight.
NAGASAKI, Kobe & YOKOHAMA	KANCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 3rd inst.
SHANGHAI	ANANSON	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 4th inst. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	LUOHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 5th inst. at Daylight.
SHANGHAI	HONGKOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 6th inst. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHONGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 7th inst. at Daylight.
SHANGHAI, Kobe & MOJI	NAMSAW	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 7th inst. at Daylight.
SHANGHAI	NUBIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	About 7th inst.
SHANGHAI, Kobe & YOKOHAMA	NAGAYA	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	About 10th inst.
SHANGHAI, Kobe & YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 11th inst. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, Kobe & YOKOHAMA	TOSA MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	YIBONAS	Dut. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 15th inst. at 10 a.m.
ANPING & TAKAO VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DOSEU MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-morrow, at Noon.
TAMSAI & KEELUNG VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJI MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-day, at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	CHANGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-morrow, at 10 a.m.
SWATOW	CHANGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 7th inst. at 1 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & POONHONG	HAITAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 11th inst. at 1 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & POONHONG	HAISHING	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-day, at 3 p.m.
MANILA	YUNHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 4th inst. at 4 p.m.
MANILA, Cebu & ILOILO	TEAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 8th inst. at 3 p.m.
MANILA, Cebu & ILOILO	LOONGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 11th inst. at 4 p.m.
MANILA, Cebu & ILOILO	CHINEWA	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	Quick despatch.
MANILA, Cebu & ILOILO	TIENHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 10th inst.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, MALACCA & COLOMBO	JINSEI MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 3rd inst. at Noon.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, MALACCA & COLOMBO	JAVA MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-day.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, BANGKOK & CALCUTTA	CHYUEN MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 4th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	SANGOLA	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 12th inst. at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, MAURITIUS & SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS	FOONGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	On 15th June.
BOHLOW & PAKHOI	WINGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-morrow, at Daylight.
BOHLOW & PAKHOI	WINGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-day, at 11 a.m.
BOHLOW & PAKHOI	WINGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	...	To-day, at 10 a.m.

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SHANGHAI	"CHOYANG" ... Friday, 7th May, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	"CHOYANG" ... Saturday, 8th May, 3 p.m.
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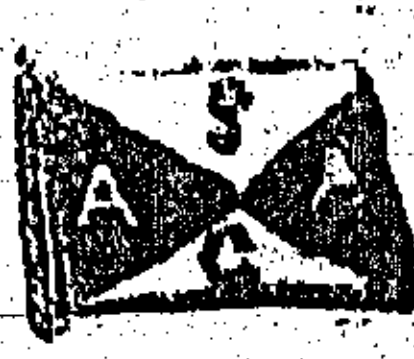
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Goods not cleared within 8 days including date of arrival will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignee, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD and DODGINS, at 10 a.m. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1915. [1]

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 30th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.95	29.94	29.91
Temperature	79	73	81
Humidity	76	95	69
Wind Direction	East	East	East
" Force	3	1	2
Weather	o	o	o
Rain	o	o	o

Highest open air Temperature on 29th ... 80

Lowest open air Temperature on 29th ... 73

ON SALE.

BOUND VOLUMES of the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, JULY to DECEMBER, 1914. With Index. Price \$7.50.

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1915.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	NUBIA Capt. A. B. Garwood, R.N.R.	About 7th May.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	SARDINIA Capt. J. T. Jeffery	Neon. 7th May.	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NAGOYA Capt. J. T. Jeffery	About 10th May.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES	NALLORE Capt. J. T. Jeffery	About 12th May.	Freight and Passage.

All the above Steamers are fitted with Wireless Telegraphy.
Subject to immediate alteration without notice.

For Further Particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1915.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HOIHOW and HAIPHONG	"HUNGKIANG"	On 1st May, 11 A.M.
SWATOW and BANGKOK	"CHANGHONG"	On 1st May, 4 P.M.
HOIHOW and PAKHOI	"WENHONG"	On 2nd May, 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"KANCHOW"	On 2nd May, 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"LUCHOW"	On 4th May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"YINGHONG"	On 4th May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 6th May, 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"CHINHUA"	On 11th May, 4 P.M.

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.
"SS. 'LINTAN' and 'S.S. 'SANUL'."
MANILA LINE—TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS—"CHINHUA"—"TAMING"—
and "TSAN." Excellent Saloon accommodation Amidships; Electric Fans fitted; Extra
State-rooms on Deck, aft, on "TAMING" and "TSAN."

SHANGHAI LINE—TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS—"ANHUI"—
and "CHENAN" and the S.S. "KANCHOW," "LIANGHONG," "LUCHOW" and
"YINGHONG," having excellent accommodation, with Electric Light throughout
and Electric Fans in the Saloons and Dining Saloons, maintain a fast schedule service
between Canton, Hongkong and Shanghai, leaving Hongkong for Shanghai direct every
Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze
and Northern China Ports.

These Steamers Land Passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of
transshipment at Woosung.

For Freight or Passage apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1915.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.

HIGHEST Class, Fastest and Most Luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having Splendid
Accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"HAIMUN"	Capt. A. H. Stewart	WED. DAY, 5th May, at 1 P.M.
"HAITAN"	Capt. J. W. Evans	FRIDAY, 7th May, at 1 P.M.
"HAICHING"	Capt. W. C. Patterson	FRIDAY, 11th May, at 1 P.M.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days).

"HAIMUN"	Capt. A. H. Stewart	SU. DAY, 2nd May, at 10 A.M.
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Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).
For Freight and Passage, apply to—

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1915.

BRITISH INDIA S. N. CO., LTD.

A PCAR LINE.

REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN

CALCUTTA, STRAITS, SHANGHAI AND JAPAN PORTS.

WESTWARD

S.S. "SANGOLA," 5,184 tons, Captain Milne, R.N.R., will be despatched
for SINGAPORE, PENANG and CALCUTTA on 14th May.

The above Steamers have excellent Saloon accommodation for Passengers and are fitted
with all modern conveniences and carry a fully qualified surgeon.

For Freight or passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.,
AGENTS

Hongkong, 28th April, 1915.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

MAIL SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA

VIA MANILA.

MAIL SCHEDULE
(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

STEAMER	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
EASTERN	1st May	On 15th May, 10 A.M.
ALDENHAM	14th May	On 28th May, 10 A.M.
ST ALBANS	24th June	On 22nd June, 10 A.M.
EMPIRE		On 17th July, 10 A.M.

The above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful
supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity.
A fully qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried.

For further particulars apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
AGENTS

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.



SAN FRANCISCO LINE.

VIA SHANGHAI, MANILA, THE INLAND SEA, JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Sailings from Hongkong—Subject to Change Without Notice

Steamer	Displacement Tons and Speed.	Leave Hongkong.
SHINYO MARU	22,000—21 knots	TUES., 11th May.
CHIYO MARU	22,000—21 knots	TUES., 8th June.
TENYO MARU	22,000—21 knots	TUES., 20th June.
* NIPPON MARU	11,000—18 knots	TUESDAY, 13th July.

* Via MANILA, Onitting Shanghai.

Steamers via Shanghai leave at Noon.
"Manila" at 10:30 A.M.

FIRST CLASS TO LONDON	£71.10... RETURN (6 MONTHS) £120.
FIRST CLASS TO NEW YORK	£60. ... " " £96.10.
" " " SAN FRANCISCO	£45. ... " " £68.

Passengers purchasing Trans-Pacific Return Tickets have the option of returning from
San Francisco by Steamers of the PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co. or from Vancouver by Steamers
of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY Co.

SPECIAL RATES given to NAVAL and MILITARY CIVIL SERVANTS
MISSIONARIES, etc.

ROUND THE WORLD Tickets issued in connection with all the Principal Mail Lines
and the Trans-Siberian Railway.

Passengers may Travel by RAILWAY between Ports of Call in Japan free of charge.

SOUTH AMERICA LINE.

VIA JAPAN PORTS, HONOLULU, HILO, LOS ANGELES.

MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, PANAMA, CALLAO,

IQUIQUE AND VALPARAISO.

THENCE BY

TRANS-ANDAN ROUTE TO BUENOS AIRES.

Steamer	Displacement Tons and Speed	Sails
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SEIYO MARU ... 14,000—15 knots ... Wed. day, 12th May.

For Full Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to—

K. DOI, ACTING AGENT,
King's Building.

TELEPHONE 291.

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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN
VIA SHANGHAI.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE
VIA SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	AMAZONE	On 3rd May.

HOMEWARD

MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	ERNEST SIMONS	On 1st May, at 6 P.M.
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ALL STEAMERS FITTED WITH WIRELESS.
TRANS SHIPPING on the Co's Steamers at COLOMBO for CALCUTTA.
(every four weeks), also at PORT SAID for the LEVANT, CONSTANTINOPLE
and BLACK SEA.

Through Tickets to LONDON via PARIS by rail.
Circular Tickets to Europe via Suez and SIBERIAN ROUTE and vice versa
delivered here.

For further particulars apply to

P. THOMAS, AGENT,
QUEEN'S BUILDING.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

REGULAR SERVICES,
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

THE AMERICAN LINE TO TACOMA AND SEATTLE.

In Connection with

THE CHICAGO MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY Co.

For VICTORIA and TACOMA via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE,
YOKKAICHI and YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
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"SEATTLE MARU" ... T. Saito ... FRIDAY, 14th May, at 3 P.M.

These Newly-Built Steamers of American Line have fair speed and are fitted with the
Wireless Apparatus. Best adapted for carrying Silk, Treasure and Parcels.

For BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, PORT SWETTENHAM
PENANG AND COLOMBO.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"JAVA MARU"	...	FRIDAY, 30th May, at Noon.

For TAMSUI & KEELUNG via SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"SOSU MARU"	A. Kobayashi	WED. DAY, 12th May, at 10 A.M.
"DAIJI MARU"	K. Murakami	SUNDAY, 2nd May, at Noon.
"KAIJO MARU"	Y. Yamamoto	SUNDAY, 9th May, at Noon.

For ANPING AND TAKAO via SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"DAIGI MARU"	S. Tokumitsu	SATURDAY, 1st May, at 10 A.M.
"KEIJO MARU"	IMAZUMI	THURSDAY, 6th May, 10 A.M.

These Steamers of Coast and Forenoon Line have Excellent accommodation for First
Class Passengers and are fitted with Electric Light and Fans.

These Steamers will arrive at and depart from Soon Yip Wharf (near the Harbour
Office).

For FURTHER INFORMATION, apply to

Y. ASAI,

MANAGER,
Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Building.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES AND LONDON

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Connecting Steamer	Steamers to	Leave SHANG- HAI	Leave HONG- KONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES and LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES if calling	Due at London
YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO.	HAI	KONG			
P.M.		about	about			
Apr. 26	SARDINIA	May, 3	May 7	MALLOJA	June 5	June 12
May 24	NUBIA	May 17	May 21	MOULTAN	June 19	June 26
June 21	ORIENTAL	June 14	June 18	MOYDAVIA	July 3	July 11
June 21	MALTA	June 14	June 18	EGYPT	July 18	July 24
July 19	SARDINIA	June 28	July 2	MEDINA	Aug. 1	Aug. 8
	NUBIA	July 12	July 16	MONGOLIA	Aug. 15	Aug. 23
	ORIENTAL	July 27	July 31	MALWA	Sept. 4	Sept. 11
	MALTA	Aug. 9	Aug. 13	PERSEA	Sept. 11	Sept. 18
	SARDINIA	Aug. 23	Aug. 27	MOHRA	Sept. 25	Oct. 2
	NUBIA	Sept. 6	Sept. 10	MALLOJA	Oct. 9	Oct. 16

Passenger change Steamers at COLOMBO.
Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved to
Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES

The Fares to London and Marseilles are as follows:—

	1st Saloon	"A"	Accommodation	Single	Return
LONDON	£70.	£64.	£48.	£36.	£26.
2nd Saloon	"B"	"	"	"	"
	£44.	"	"	"	"
MARSEILLES	1st Saloon	"A"	Accommodation	Single	Return
	£66.	£60.	£44.	£32.	£22.
2nd Saloon	"B"	"	"	"	"
	£42.	"	"	"	"

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON

CARRYING 1ST AND 2ND SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES

PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS.	Leave YOKOHAMA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave HONG- KONG	Leave SINGAPORE	Due at MARSEILLES if calling	Due at London
NELLORE ...	about	about	about	about	about	about
NAGOYA ...	May 24	June 3	June 9	June 15	June 17	June 26
KARMAIA ...	June 21	July 1	July 7	July 13	Aug. 12	Aug. 20
KASHGAR ...	July 19	July 23	Aug. 4	Aug. 10	Sept. 10	Sept. 17

These Steamers call also at PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG and COLOMBO

FARES TO LONDON:

1st Saloon £54 Single; £38 Return. 2nd Saloon £38 Single; £27 Return

FARES TO MARSEILLES:

1st Saloon £30 Single; £23 Return. 2nd Saloon £23 Single; £17 Return

All Passenger Steamers are fitted with the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy.

Owing to the War in Europe, Steamers and sailing ships are liable to be cancelled or altered
without Notice.

For Further Particulars, apply to—

E. A. HEWETT,
SUPERINTENDENT

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	TONS AND DISPLACEMENT	SAILING DATES
MARSEILLES and LONDON via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	MIYASAKI MARU Capt. Toranaka	16,000	THURSDAY, 18th May, at Noon.
	KITANO MARU Capt. F. E. Cope	16,000	THURSDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
VICTORIA, H.K., and SEATTLE via KEELUNG SHANGHAI, MOJI, KURE, YOKKAICHI and YOKOHAMA	SADO MARU Capt. Asakawa	12,500	TUESDAY, 4th May, at 4 P.M.
	AWA MARU Capt. T. Hori	12,500	TUESDAY, 18th May, at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, KOWSWVILLE and BRISBANE	HITACHI MARU Capt. Tomimaga	13,500	TUESDAY, 16th May, at 11 A.M.
	TANGO MARU Capt. K. Soyoda	18,500	TUESDAY, 15th June, at 4 P.M.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG and BANGKOK	CEYLON MARU Capt. Sainaho	13,500	SATURDAY, 1st May.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA and COLOMBO	JINSEN MARU Capt. Terada	8,000	MONDAY, 16th May.
SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TOSA MARU Capt. Takano	12,000	TUESDAY, 11th May.
SHANGHAI and KOBE			
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU Capt. Soyoda	13,500	SATURDAY, 15th May, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU Capt. Fraser	16,000	TUESDAY, 11th May, at 10 A.M.

[Wireless Telegraphy.

PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1915

FOR EUROPE.

Steamer	Displacement	Leave Hongkong
MIYASAKI MARU	16,000 Tons	Thurs., 18th May
KITANO	16,000	Thurs., 23rd May
PUSHIMI	25,000	2nd June
HIRANO	16,000	17th June
KATORI	20,000	1st July

FOR AMERICA.

Steamer	Displacement	Leave Hongkong
SADO MARU	12,500 Tons	Tues., 4th May
AWA	12,500	Thurs., 18th May
AKI	12,500	Thurs., 18th May
TAMBA	12,500	15th June
SHIDEZUOKA	12,500	Thurs., 27th July

For Further Information as to Freight, Balling &c, apply to—

P. KUSUMOTO, MANAGER.

TELEPHONE Nos. 232 and 1241

